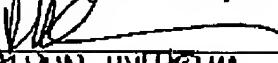


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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. One of the references were recently cited in a Supplemental European Search Report mailed March 30, 2006. A copy of the search report is enclosed. The remaining references are of record in Serial No. 10/521,234. As this co-pending application already was cited in a double patenting rejection, it is believed that no copy of the application is needed. Copies of the references also are available in that application, but are provided herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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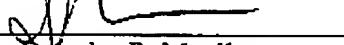
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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